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RAJYA SABHA

New measures to promote Small Scale, Cottage and Indigenous Industries

† 2783. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to take some new measures for Small Scale Industries, cottage industries and other indigenous industries to promote indigenous goods;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) A comprehensive policy for small scale sector is under finalisation.

Pending applications under PMRY in Ahmedabad and Gandhi Nagar

2784. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications of loan under Prime Minister Rozgar Yojana are pending in District Industry Centres, Ahmedabad and Gandhi Nagar;

(b) the reasons for not providing loans to unemployed youths so far;

(c) whether any enquiry has been conducted; and

(d) if so, the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The number of loan

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applications pending in District Industries Centres, Ahmedabad and Gandhi Nagar were 311 and 40 respectively as on 1.5.2000 under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana as per the report received from the State Government of Gujarat.

(b) The applications are processed by the District Industries Centre Task Force Committee in its meeting generally held twice a month and not on day to day basis. The pending applications were processed along with the fresh applications received in the Month of May, 2000.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of the (c) above.

Trade related entrepreneurship assistance for Rural Women

2785. SHRI BACHANI LAKHRAJ: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the pilot project on Trade Related Entrepreneurship Assistance and Development (TREAD) for rural women has been sanctioned for Gujarat;

(b) if so, the year of sanctioning this programme and the norms prescribed under the scheme; and

(c) the assistance provided to the State during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) A pilot project under the Trade Related Entrepreneurship Assistance and Development scheme for women was sanctioned for Gujarat in 1996-97.

Under the scheme, assistance in the form of loans, grants, trade related training, information and extension activities relating to